

A meeting of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System was held in Washington on Saturday, May 26, 1945, at 10:30 a.m.

PRESENT: Mr. Ransom, Vice Chairman  
Mr. Szymczak  
Mr. McKee  
Mr. Draper  
Mr. Evans

Mr. Morrill, Secretary  
Mr. Carpenter, Assistant Secretary  
Mr. Thurston, Assistant to the Chairman

The action stated with respect to each of the matters herein-after referred to was taken by the Board:

The minutes of the meeting of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System held on May 25, 1945, were approved unanimously.

Letter to Mr. Rice, Vice President of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, reading as follows:

"The Board of Governors approves the changes in the personnel classification plan of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, involving the Savings Bond Issue, Coupon Collection, and Personnel divisions, as submitted with your letter of May 18, 1945."

Approved unanimously.

Letter to Mr. Rice, Vice President of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, reading as follows:

"In accordance with the requests contained in your two letters of May 21, 1945, the Board of Governors approves the payment of salary to Mr. Joseph C. Cosgrove at the rate of \$3,400 per annum, which is \$400 in excess of the maximum for the position of Senior Clerk to which he is presently assigned. This approval is for a further period of six months beginning May 28, 1945, pending his

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"transfer to a position commensurate with the salary he is receiving.

"The Board of Governors also approves the continuation of the assignment of Mr. Joseph F. Delaney to an 'unassigned' position in the Cash and Collection Function for a further period of six months ending November 30, 1945, due to the fact that the program of rotation of Mr. Delaney throughout the various divisions of this function has not been completed."

Approved unanimously.

Letter to the organizers of the "Pan American Bank of Miami", Miami, Florida, stating that, effective if and when the bank is duly authorized to commence business by the appropriate State authorities, and subject to conditions of membership numbered 1 to 3 contained in the Board's Regulation H and the following special condition, the Board approves the bank's application for membership in the Federal Reserve System and for the appropriate amount of stock in the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta:

- "4. At the time of admission to membership, such bank shall have a paid-up and unimpaired capital stock of not less than \$750,000 and a surplus of not less than \$200,000."

The letter also contained the following special comment:

"Since the application for membership was made on behalf of the Pan American Bank of Miami, prior to its organization as a State bank, it is requested that, in connection with the acceptance of the conditions of membership prescribed by the Board, the board of directors of the State bank ratify the action which has been taken in its behalf in making application for membership in the Federal Reserve System."

Approved unanimously, together with  
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Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, reading as follows:

"The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System approves the application made on behalf of the 'Pan American Bank of Miami', Miami, Florida, for membership in the Federal Reserve System, subject to the conditions prescribed in the enclosed letter which you are requested to forward to the Board of Directors of the institution. Two copies of such letter are also enclosed, one of which is for your files and the other of which you are requested to forward to the State Comptroller for the State of Florida, for his information.

"Before issuing stock in the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta to the new State institution, you are requested to satisfy yourself that its capital stock of \$750,000 has been paid in, that the organization papers have been considered by your counsel, and that he is satisfied as to their legal aspects. It is requested that a copy of the opinion of your counsel given in this connection be forwarded to the Board as soon as possible. It is requested also that the Board be furnished with a copy of the resolution of the Board of Directors of the State institution ratifying the action taken in its behalf in making application for membership in the Federal Reserve System.

"If, when chartered by the State authorities, the legal name of the bank should be other than Pan American Bank of Miami, as shown in the copy of the proposed charter submitted with the application, advice as to the correct legal name should be included in the telegram advising us of the bank's admission to membership."

Letter to "The Farmers National Bank of Belvidere", Belvidere, Illinois, reading as follows:

"The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System has given consideration to your application for fiduciary powers, and grants you authority to act, when not in contravention of State or local law, as trustee, executor, administrator, registrar of stocks and bonds, guardian of estates, assignee, receiver, committee of estates of lunatics, or in any other fiduciary capacity in which State banks, trust companies or other corporations which come into competition with national banks are permitted to act under the laws of the State of Illinois, the exercise of all such rights

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"to be subject to the provisions of the Federal Reserve Act and the regulations of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

"This letter will be your authority to exercise the fiduciary powers granted by the Board pending the preparation of a formal certificate covering such authorization, which will be forwarded to you in due course."

Approved unanimously.

Letter to "The First National Bank of Springfield", Springfield, Tennessee, reading as follows:

"This refers to the resolution adopted on August 10, 1944, by the board of directors of your bank, signifying the bank's desire to surrender its right to exercise fiduciary powers heretofore granted to it.

"The Board, understanding that your bank has been discharged or otherwise properly relieved in accordance with the law of all of its duties as fiduciary, has issued a formal certificate to your bank certifying that it is no longer authorized to exercise any of the fiduciary powers covered by the provisions of section 11(k) of the Federal Reserve Act, as amended. This certificate is enclosed herewith.

"In this connection, your attention is called to the fact that, under the provisions of section 11(k) of the Federal Reserve Act, as amended, when such a certificate has been issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System to a national bank, such bank (1) shall no longer be subject to the provisions of section 11(k) of the Federal Reserve Act or the regulations of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System made pursuant thereto, (2) shall be entitled to have returned to it any securities which it may have deposited with the State or similar authorities for the protection of private or court trusts, and (3) shall not exercise any of the powers conferred by section 11(k) of the Federal Reserve Act except with the permission of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System."

Approved unanimously.

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Thereupon the meeting adjourned.

Chester Murie  
Secretary.

Approved:

Ronald Hanson  
Vice Chairman.